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# PIC OF THE PEOPLE

Photo capsules of people and events of interest to this Locale



D. W. Ferguson congratulates Dr. H. H. Holloway who recently retired as Superintendent of the Whittier High School District after 34 years of service. A community wide banquet recently held at Candlewood Country Club for Dr. Holloway established a Scholarship Fund in his honor. Dr. Holloway and his wife are planning a unique leisurely trip to Europe in mid-August on a freighter. Although they do not intend to follow a rigid schedule, Dr. Holloway does plan to spend some time studying at the University of Spain.

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## LOCAL STUDENTS WIN AWARDS.

These local students, all graduating seniors from the area's high schools, won Outstanding Student Awards in the annual program sponsored by Quaker City Federal Savings in co-operation with the state-wide California Savings and Loan League. Each student received a \$100.00 cash award and an engraved medallion in recognition of his excellence in citizenship, leadership and scholarship.



### SANTA FE HIGH SCHOOL.

Left to right are: Herbert G. May, Assistant Principal; Flora Carmen Gil, Award winner; Dr. Heber Holloway, Superintendent of the Whittier High School District; Mrs. Phoebe Gil, and Charles H. Osborn, Principal.

### PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL.

Left to right are: Eva Bailon, Award winner; Mr. and Mrs. Guillermo Bailon; Bill Kirk, Assistant Principal and Jack E. Jines, Principal.



### WHITTIER HIGH SCHOOL.

Left to right are: Seth Pickering, Vice-President of Quaker City Federal; Cornelia M. Riede, Award winner; Mrs. Anthoinette A. C. Riede; Seabron Nolin, Principal; and Robert G. Wolstoncroft, Assistant Principal.

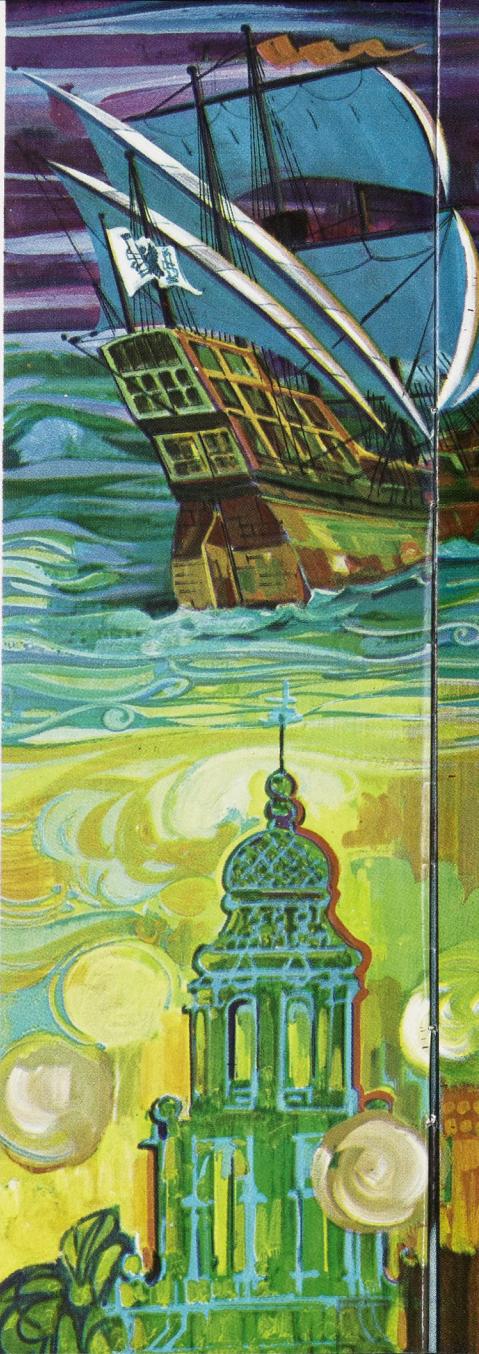
# CALIFORNIA 200th Anniversary

With the arrival of a Spanish detachment led by Gaspar De Portola, accompanied by Father Junipero Serra, on July 16, 1769, the Mission of San Diego De Alcala was established and the future city of San Diego and state of California were born. Throughout the length of our Golden State are 21 missions which were centers of agriculture, animal husbandry and various other self-sufficient industries such as weaving and tanning. Right here in our locale we have easy access to the lovely San Fernando and San Gabriel Missions which reflect the lives of the Indians and Spanish padres. A visit to one of these missions reveals examples of pioneer living which were followed subsequently by the families who came West in covered wagons.

In addition to the Missions the other early settlements in California were the Spanish pueblos and great ranchos. Although the huge ranchos have been broken up and sold in parcels of land, some of the original adobes have been kept up as living quarters or have been restored as historical sites. The Casa de Adobe on Olvera Street is the birthplace of Los Angeles and the area abounds with other historical sites such as the Rancho San Pedro and Phineas

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**CAMPO DE CAHUENGA,**  
3919 Lankershim Blvd. in North Hollywood, is the site where, on January 13, 1847, the Treaty of Cahuenga, which ended the war in California with Mexico, was signed. Lt. Col. John C. Fremont and General Andres Pico signed the document on the veranda of a six-room adobe house erected by Don Tomas Feliz in 1845.

Historian William A. Allen was co-founder with Mrs. Armitage F. C. Forbes of the Campo de Cahuenga Memorials Association. This group, aided by many Historical Societies and the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners, restored the Campo and erected a community recreation building there. Campo de Cahuenga is built in the architectural spirit and design of the old Feliz adobe.



**PIO PICO MANSION** is located at 6003 South Pioneer Blvd. in Whittier. This picture of Pico's Mansion on the San Gabriel River was taken in 1902, the year Don Pio Pico, the last Mexican Governor, died. At one time he owned five large ranches totalling 324,000 acres but he died a very poor man. The beautifully restored Mansion is open to the public from 10:00 to 5:00 PM. It is closed on Monday, Tuesday and holidays. The Mansion was declared an historical site in 1917.

**METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER** was marked as an historical site on July 17, 1967, by the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Beverly Hills Parlor #289. The Ince Lot, as it was known, was first deeded to New York Picture Corporation in 1917. Goldwyn Producing Corporation purchased this and adjoining property in 1919. The 175 acres of land are part of the old La Ballona Rancho. The Goldwyn Producing Corporation became Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer in 1924 and the studio has a long and famous history in the production of motion pictures.





### PHINEAS BANNING HOUSE

*in Wilmington is 105 years old. General Phineas Banning was the architect for his home which has been restored and is one of the most beautifully preserved historical sites in the area. It is said that Banning bought the original 2400 acres of Wilmington (originally called New Town) from Manuel Dominguez for \$1.10 an acre. Historian Oliver Vickery is preparing a book on the long overlooked contributions of Phineas Banning to the state of California.*

Banning House in Wilmington; Campo De Cahuenga in North Hollywood, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios in Culver City and the Pio Pico State Historical Monument in Whittier.

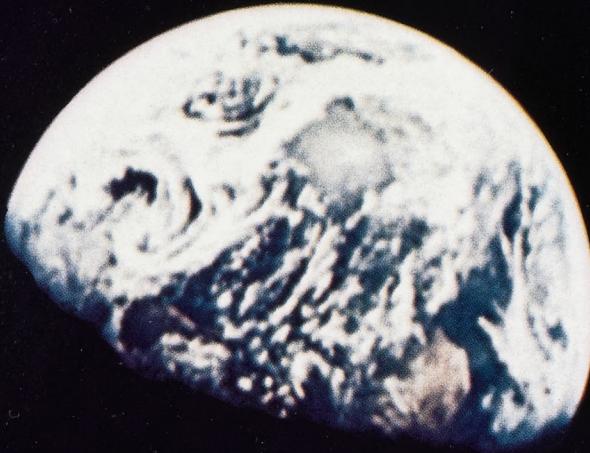
The sparsely populated West beckoned to fur traders and explorers but the main influx of settlers in California came with the discovery of gold in 1848. People from all over the world poured into California which was still in a transition period from Mexican rule and officially not yet either a territory or state. But although only a handful of those who came "struck it rich", many stayed to work and farm. And with the completion of the trans-continental railroads, California was opened to thousands more who streamed here to take advantage of the opportunities that California offered.

Individualism and rugged independence have always been characteristics of the people of California

The dry dusty desert was changed to fertile fields and citrus orchards. Towns grew - not up as in the East - but out to take advantage of the space and climate. With the advent of World War II, cities such as San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco saw an influx of military personnel and workers for the defense industries. California's natives and newcomers rolled up their sleeves and made an outstanding contribution toward winning the war.

Since the end of World War II the growth of California has become almost legendary. Thousands of houses blossomed overnight in the canyons and on the hilltops. The state that originated and expanded the freeway system also developed the country's most advanced educational system of city and junior colleges and universities. Our cities offer all of the riches and excitement of urban living . . . theatre, concerts, high finance, research laboratories museums, television and motion picture industries, high rise apartment living . . . the list is endless. And our beaches, mountains and deserts make California one of the most exceptional recreational areas in the country.

Of course, we have problems - smog, congestion and most of the other challenges facing all of the nation - but California is known as a state composed of people who are constantly seeking new approaches and fresh ideas . . . in our research and space programs, medical laboratories, in underwater exploration and utilization. From our gracious tranquil old Missions to our dynamic cities, California reflects the people who pioneered and developed it. All of us can be proud of our own contributions to the Golden State which continues to thrust ahead in the leadership of the nation and the world.



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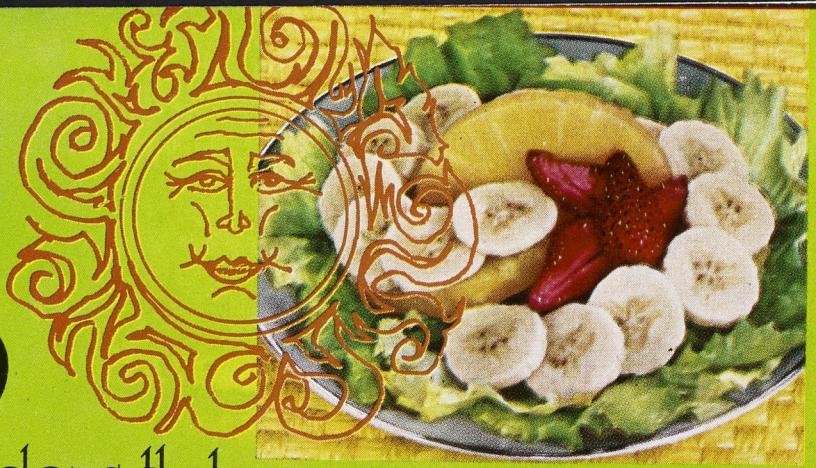
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# 3 ideas that will put Summer in your Salads

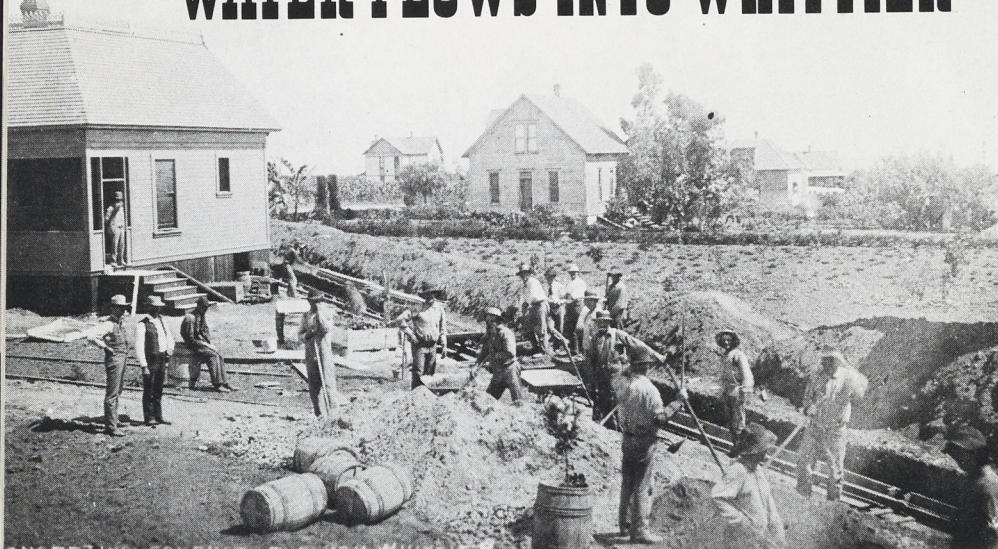
**Mixed Fruit Salad.** (top) Arrange strawberry, banana and pineapple slices on salad greens and serve with French dressing.

**Tropic Salad.** (center) For unusual texture and flavor, slice a banana into your favorite green salad, add dressing and toss.

**Banana Apricot Salad** (bottom)  
Roll a banana in crushed nuts.  
Arrange with apricot halves and  
cottage cheese.



# WATER FLOWS INTO WHITTIER



**Remember Whittier When...** Third in a series of photographic tours back through Whittier's past, through courtesy of Orville Espolt.

It wasn't long before the early settlers of Whittier realized that a better and increased water supply was vital if their dream of a prosperous and beautiful town was to become a reality. Since the annual rainfall was inadequate to provide enough moisture for horticulture or citriculture, hundreds of acres south and east of Whittier were only used for dry-farming such as barley and oats.

Mr. Simon Murphy purchased several hundred acres in East Whittier as well as several hundred acres of adjoining hill land. Having heard that Mr. John P. Sanborn had been successful in developing an artesian well on the East Bank of the San

Gabriel River at Bassett near El Monte, he had an engineer friend, A. L. Reed, survey the possibility of transporting the water by gravity from this location to Whittier. When this project was adjudged feasible the East Whittier Water Company was organized with Mr. Murphy as President, Mr. Thomas as Vice-President and Mr. Reed as Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager.

In July, 1890, a powerful steam dredge made a cut from 8 to 16 feet deep in the gravel and then this cutting was substantially flumed with heavy planks and timber making a waterway 4 feet deep by 6 feet wide along the side of the



river where Mr. Sanborn had previously developed water. The results were so favorable that they proceeded to construct the conduits and flumes to carry the water to East Whittier. The construction crew in front of the dining hall, as shown in the picture, were mostly Mexicans.

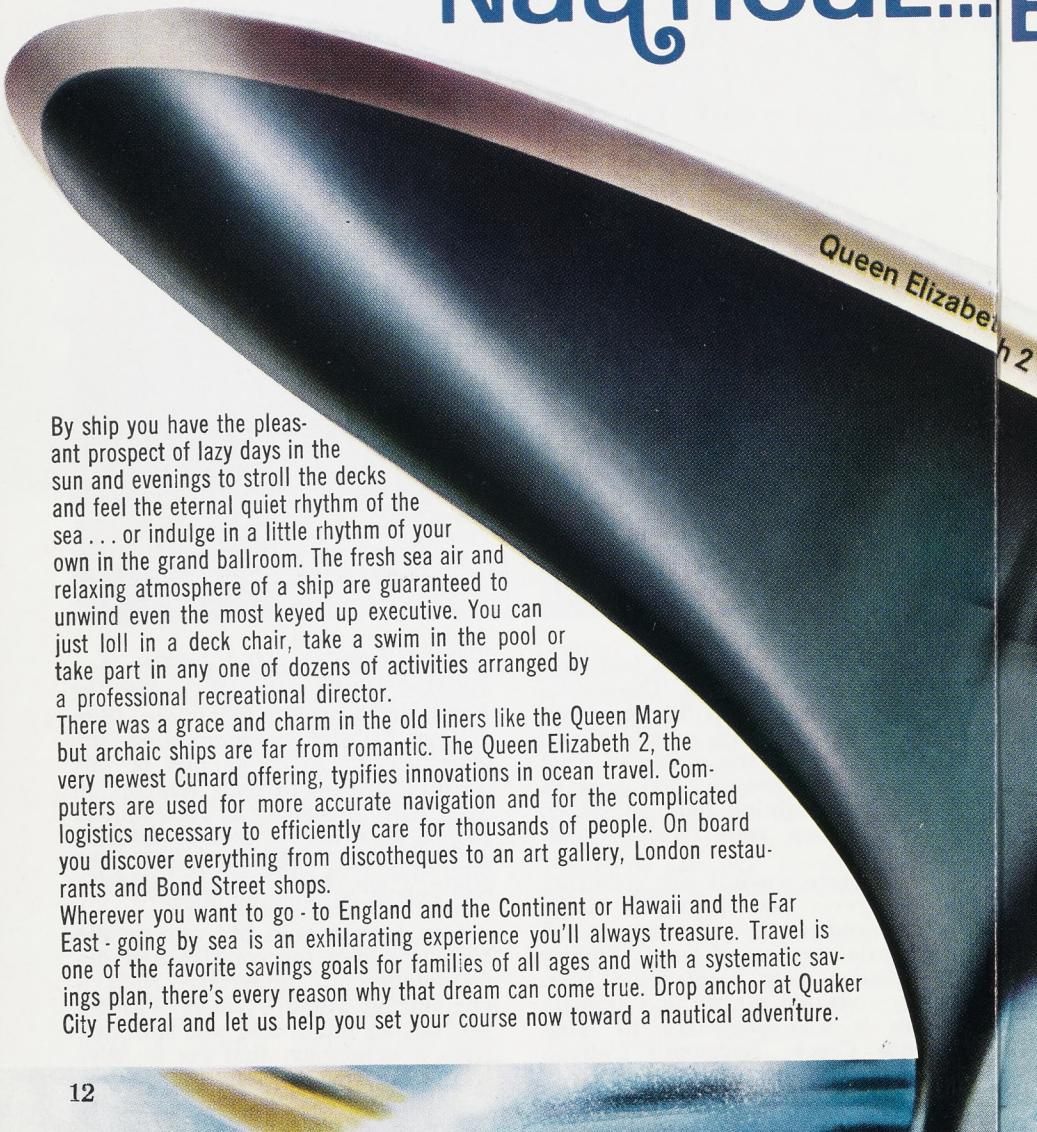
A concrete conduit was constructed wherever the topography of the land permitted it, as shown in the residential section of town. Flumes on trestles were constructed from heavy redwood planks and timbers where it was necessary to cross Puente Creek, Sycamore Canyon and other places as shown in the

pictures. The entire project was covered with redwood planks to keep dirt, leaves, animals etc. from falling in and contaminating the pure water. On completion of this 12 mile project to East Whittier in 1891 with a capacity of 1500 miners inches of water it was proclaimed as the finest water system in the State. Thenceforth Whittier and environs had excellent water.

One cannot help but admire the men who had the courage and determination to undertake such a challenging venture when Whittier was but an infant and was suffering from a depression that set in after a couple of boom years.



# Make your next vacation nautical... E



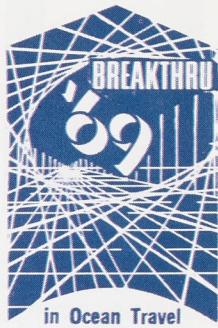
By ship you have the pleasant prospect of lazy days in the sun and evenings to stroll the decks and feel the eternal quiet rhythm of the sea . . . or indulge in a little rhythm of your own in the grand ballroom. The fresh sea air and relaxing atmosphere of a ship are guaranteed to unwind even the most keyed up executive. You can just loll in a deck chair, take a swim in the pool or take part in any one of dozens of activities arranged by a professional recreational director.

There was a grace and charm in the old liners like the Queen Mary but archaic ships are far from romantic. The Queen Elizabeth 2, the very newest Cunard offering, typifies innovations in ocean travel. Computers are used for more accurate navigation and for the complicated logistics necessary to efficiently care for thousands of people. On board you discover everything from discotheques to an art gallery, London restaurants and Bond Street shops.

Wherever you want to go - to England and the Continent or Hawaii and the Far East - going by sea is an exhilarating experience you'll always treasure. Travel is one of the favorite savings goals for families of all ages and with a systematic savings plan, there's every reason why that dream can come true. Drop anchor at Quaker City Federal and let us help you set your course now toward a nautical adventure.

# ..BUT NICE

Perhaps because the tempo of living has quickened so much in the last few decades... almost to the point of frenzy it seems at times... the lure of a peaceful ocean voyage seems to beckon to more and more people - particularly since the modern liners offer a complete array of conveniences and pure luxuries.





## Q-Talk

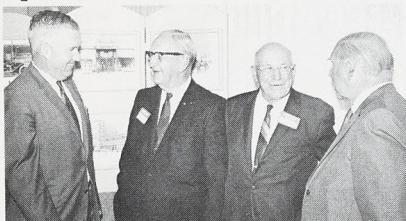
By  
*D. W. Ferguson*

President of Quaker  
City Federal Savings

To many of us the celebration of our nation's founding has taken on an even deeper meaning in recent years and again this year it won't be just another 4th of July in many homes throughout the land. The thought of loved ones who are far away from home fighting for freedom in the world, will remind millions of Americans of their own true feelings about their country and the price that we as a nation must be prepared to pay to defend our way of life.

### FOUNDERS DAY

In Whittier we recently saluted the founding fathers of our own city. The history of Whittier closely parallels that of our nation. The courage, strength, wisdom and determination of our pioneer forefathers and the following generations have built a city that, along with thousands of others across the land, represents the solid foundation of



Following the Luncheon President D. W. Ferguson (on left) chats with Dr. Herbert E. Tebbetts, G. Earl Miller, and Thomas W. Bewley, Chairman of the Board at Quaker City Federal. In the background is a portion of the display of early Whittier photographs.

these United States. Here at Quaker City Federal we had the honor of being host to many of the outstanding leaders of our community at a Founders Day Luncheon during Whittier's Birthday Celebration. The Luncheon, which was so successful that we are considering making it an annual affair, was held in our Community Room.

### INTEREST PAYMENT DECLARED

Again this quarter the Board of Directors of Quaker City Federal declared a quarterly interest payment at the highest rate allowed by law. Over  $\$3/4$  million in interest was paid during the second quarter and if you are a saver here this payment is either credited to your passbook as of June 30 or issued in the form of a check if you have so requested. Interest here is compounded daily and paid quarterly. Insured savings earn the nation's highest rate instantly from the day they arrive to date of withdrawal. We invite you to open or add to your account during our special reinvestment days, July 1 through July 10. For your added savings convenience Quaker City Federal will be open Thursday evening, July 3rd, until 6:00 P.M.

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# Earthquake Country It's Our Own Fault

Everytime an earthquake occurs... and there may be as many as a million in a single year... scientists are able to chart the insides of the earth to learn what it is made of... how it was made... when it was born. To scientists, earthquakes provide a vital key to discover the secrets of this planet. But to the people directly affected in their homes and places of business, the shock waves can be deadly things.

Most of the time the surface of the good earth we live on is firm and steady. But when she shakes and trembles, masses of rocks are jarred loose from the mountains, small fissures open up in the ground and buildings are knocked down in our cities and towns.

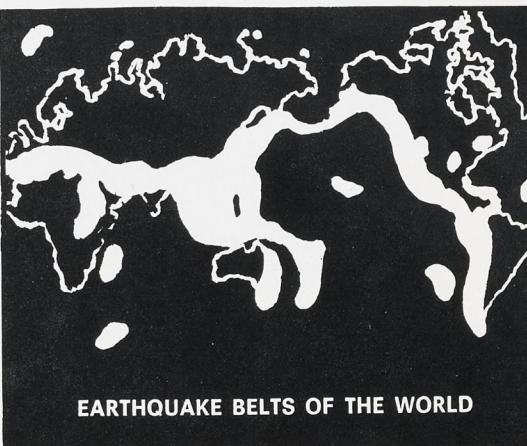
Earthquakes can occur anywhere around the globe but they are most common on the great earthquake belt that follows the edge of the Pacific Ocean, almost encircling it.

It is only a calculated guess when and where the next great earthquake may occur. Recent surveys indicate that the San Andreas Fault, a zone of faulting and cracking in the earth's crust that extends for several hundred miles along the Pacific Coast, is still bending and storing up energy that can release massive jackhammer shocks at any time.

Seismologists can only conjecture about the site of the next great quake but they are definite about Southern California's greatest earthquake danger... destruction of the unsafe old commercial structures still used by thousands who live and work in them.

Doomsday prophets predict a catastrophic end to California but our citizens have learned lessons from the quakes of the past. Building codes have been tightened. Schools and public buildings have been strengthened. It is now necessary to appeal to the citizenry to demand inspection of all privately owned as well as publicly owned buildings for safety. Southern California cities need not be punctuated with disaster.

We are inhabitants of earthquake country. We are aware of magnitudes on the Richter scale. We speak of faults and seismographs and tidal waves. We trace fault lines and are conditioned to the sudden jolt that slides a chair across the room or sends a vase flying. And if we have taken all the precautions for safety possible, then we can continue to build our hopes and live our lives in this fascinating Golden State.



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